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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Toshiyuki ARAI et al.

Serial No.: 09/781,496

Filed: February 12, 2001

For: INFORMATION PROCESSING APPARATUS AND METHOD

Group A.U.: 2155

Date: December 13, 2001

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

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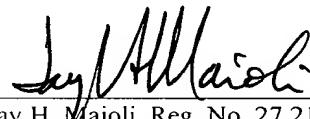
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Prior to the initial examination of the above-identified application, Applicant respectfully requests that the application be amended as follows:

IN THE ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

Please amend the Abstract of the Disclosure by rewriting same to read as follows:

--An information processing apparatus having a receiver, a user identifier generator, a generation source identifier memory, and a transmitter. The receiver receives a request

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